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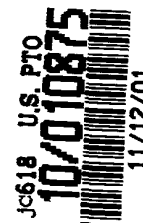
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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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IMAGE REDUCTION METHOD, IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD OF CONTROLLING IMAGE PROCESSING DEVICE

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification (total pages 77) including:
 - a. 28 pages of claims (1-57 claims)
 - b. 1 page Abstract
2. X 20 sheets of informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1A-14)
3. X Oath or declaration of Applicant (2 total pages)
 - a. X Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4. Deletion of Inventor(s)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5. Incorporation By Reference
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7. X An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8. 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)
9. X Power of Attorney
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10. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
 Copies of IDS Citations
11. A Preliminary Amendment
12. X Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
13. A small entity statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27
 Statement filed in prior application, status still proper and desired
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- ☐ Continuation of prior application No.: filed
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- ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/919,570 filed July 31, 2001
15. X Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of page one: --This is a X continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/919,570 filed July 31, 2001.--
16. X Priority of application No. 2000-232943 filed in Japan on August 1, 2000 is claimed in parent application Serial No. 09/919,570. Applicant hereby claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 in the parent application.
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